IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO : 24998 of 2004

Between:

Batchu Nagaraju @ Chanti, s/o Venkata Ramana,
r/o Ramnagar, Chirala Mandal, Prakasam District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

The Addl.Director General of Police (C.I.D.) Crime Investigation Department,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENT

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to to issue a writ or order or direction more in the nature of writ of mandamus, declaring the action of the respondent in declaring the petitioner as one of the most wanted top 10 criminals and publishing the same in the daily news paper and its website as arbitrary, illegal and consequently direct the respondent to remove the name of the petitioner in the most wanted top 10 criminals in its website forthwith in the interest of justice

Counsel for the Petitioner:MR.P.NAGENDRA REDDY

Counsel for the Respondent : GP FOR HOME

The Court at the admission stage made the following :

ORDER:

The grievance of the petitioner is that his name was put on the web site opened by

the Additional Director General of Police (C.I.D), as one of the ten most wanted criminals. The petitioner states that there are no cases pending against him and displaying his photo and name in the web site is totally unwarranted and violative of rights guaranteed under Article 21 of the Constitution of India.

The matter was adjourned on few occasions to enable the learned Government Pleader for Home to obtain instructions. The learned Government Pleader has reported that the name of the petitioner has since been removed from the web site.

In that view of the matter, the grievance of the petitioner stands dissolved. The writ petition is accordingly closed. There shall be no order as to costs.

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09.02.2005

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1. The Addl. Director General of Police (C.I.D.) Crime Investigation Department,
   Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

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